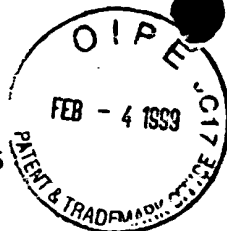


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TETSUYOSHI ISHIWATA, ET AL.) Examiner: Not Assigned
Application No.: 09/129,603) Group Art Unit: 1643
Filed: August 5, 1998)
For: NOVEL PROTEIN) February 2, 1999

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application for three months from November 4, 1998 to February 4, 1999. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$870.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 35 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All


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